

2006 Volunteer Events

Sat., April 15 – New Beginning A new club, the Bradley Trail Riders, will be working on Bradley ORV Trailhead and part of the trail - Join us!!

Sat., April 22 – Pick Up the Burn (PUB) Garbage and litter pick up throughout the forest and general trail and campground cleanup. In addition, we will be rebuilding horse corrals and hardening trail at Rock Creek Campground on the non-motorized trails and working on the Beginner's Riding Area at the Jones Creek Trailhead. School groups, Boy Scout troops, various other groups and individuals are invited to take part. Meet either at Rock Creek Campground or Jones Creek Trailhead at 9 am to choose your task, and pick up tools and directions.

Sat., April 29-Merrill Lake High Water Cleanup Please join us at Merrill Lake Campground to clean up and rebuild facilities damaged by the unusually high waters that occurred this year.

Sat., May 13 – Keeping up with Equestrians Spring cleaning in the Tunerville Campground. The Willapa Backcountry Horsemen will be co-sponsoring this campground maintenance work party. We may also do some trail maintenance.

~~Cancelled Sun., May 21 – Here Comes the Sun~~ Jones Creek Trail Riders will be co-sponsoring this bridge project and trail hardening work party.



Sat., June 3 – National Trails Day DNR is working closely with USFS, Washington Trails Association, and Chinook Trail Association to complete the Silver Star Title II RAC Project. Space is limited to 50 participants so please register at the WTA website.

Sun., Jun 4 – Here Comes the Sun Jones Creek Trail Riders will be co-sponsoring this bridge project and trail hardening work party.

Sat., July 1-Rock On! DNR is working closely with a local Boy Scout pursuing his Eagle Scout merit by completing a 1400' trail. This trail will connect the existing Tarbell Trail with a new bridge crossing location for Rock Creek. Call for further details or to sign up.

Sat., July 22 – Bridging the Gap Backcountry Horsemen of Washington and the Washington Trail Riders Association are co-sponsoring this Rock Creek Bridge and connector trail project. Our Eagle Scout will also be co-coordinating these efforts. Hope to see you there.

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Future Opportunities We are recruiting co-sponsors to schedule additional work parties for the Rock Creek Bridge and Jones Creek Bridge Projects in the coming months. We want to work with all our partners to make these projects a success. Please contact Shayne Cothorn (see info below) if you're interested in participating in or helping co-sponsor a work party.

For more information regarding any of the listed volunteer opportunities, please call Shayne Cothorn, Public Use and Stewardship Forester for the Department of Natural Resources Pacific Cascade Region, at (360) 577-2025, or e-mail Shayne.Cothorn@wadnr.gov

New to the area...Looking for a club that represents your use? We thank and acknowledge our user group partners that are involved in co-sponsoring volunteer work parties. To find out more about a club that represents your recreational activity, take a look at:

ORV (Vancouver Area) – Jones Creek Trail Riders Association, <http://www.jonescreektrailriders.org/>

- ORV (Longview Area) – Bradley Trail Riders, <http://www.bradleytrailriders.org/>
- 4x4 – Pacific Northwest 4-wheel Drive Association, <http://www.pnw4wda.org/>
- Equestrian – Mt. St. Helens Chapter of Backcountry Horsemen of Washington, <http://www.bchw-mtsthelens.com/>
- Equestrian – Washington Trail Riders Association, http://www.vancouverrodeo.com/wa_trail_riders.htm
- Hiking – Washington Trails Association, <http://www.wta.org/>
- Mountain Biking – Cold Creek Mountain Bikers, <http://coldcreekmtb.org/>
- Mountain Biking – Wicked Adventure Racing, <http://www.wickedar.com/>